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**Amendment**

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Offered by:  
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To: Subst. House Bill No. 5819

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**"AN ACT CONCERNING CRIME VICTIMS."**

1 Strike lines 1 to 9, in their entirety and insert the following in lieu  
2 thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) A pro se litigant in any  
4 civil matter, including a habeas corpus proceeding, shall notify the  
5 clerk of the court if such litigant has been convicted of a family  
6 violence crime, as defined in section 46b-38a of the general statutes, or  
7 a violation of section 53-21, 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-70b, 53a-71, 53a-72a,  
8 53a-72b, 53a-73a, 53a-181c, 53a-181d or 53a-181e of the general statutes  
9 and if the subject of a subpoena to be issued by such litigant in such  
10 matter is the victim of the crime for which such litigant was convicted.

11 (b) A pro se litigant who has been convicted of said family violence  
12 crime or a violation of any of said sections shall not issue a subpoena  
13 summoning a victim of the crime for which such litigant was convicted  
14 to appear and testify at a court hearing or deposition in any civil  
15 matter, including a habeas corpus proceeding, unless a court

16 authorizes the issuance of such subpoena in accordance with  
17 subsection (c) of this section."

18 In line 10, strike "(b)" and insert in lieu thereof "(c)"

19 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
20 internal references accordingly:

21 "Sec. 501. Section 54-240l of the general statutes is repealed and the  
22 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

23 (a) The Secretary of the State shall be a program participant's agent  
24 upon whom any summons, writ, notice, demand or process in any  
25 action, proceeding or other matter involving the program participant  
26 shall be served.

27 (b) The Secretary of the State shall notify the chairperson of the State  
28 Marshal Commission of the names of program participants and the  
29 commission shall create a list to be used by state marshals to determine  
30 if a person upon whom process is to be served is a program  
31 participant. If a person is identified on the list as a program  
32 participant, a state marshal shall make service upon the Secretary of  
33 the State in accordance with subsection (c) of this section. Prior to  
34 making service, a state marshal shall verify the participation of a  
35 specific program participant as provided in subdivision (3) of  
36 subsection (a) of section 54-240m.

37 [(b)] (c) A program participant may be served by any proper officer  
38 or other person lawfully empowered to make service by leaving two  
39 true and attested copies of such summons, writ, notice, demand or  
40 process, together with the required fee, at the office of the Secretary of  
41 the State or depositing the same in the United States mail, by  
42 registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the  
43 Secretary of the State's office and marked "Address Confidentiality  
44 Program". The Secretary of the State shall file one copy of the  
45 summons, writ, notice, demand or process and keep a record of the  
46 date and hour of receipt. The Secretary of the State shall, not later than

47 two business days after such service, forward by registered or certified  
48 mail the copy of such summons, writ, notice, demand or process to the  
49 program participant at the confidential address shown on the records  
50 of the Secretary of the State.

51 [(c)] (d) Service is effective pursuant to this section as of the date  
52 and hour received by the Secretary of the State as shown on the  
53 records of the Secretary of the State."